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Community *notes*

Lifetime Transitions Seminar

The Hickory Ridge Community Association and Long & Foster Realtors, Columbia hosts a free seminar for residents seeking housing options for seniors on Wednesday, August 27 from 5:30—7:30 p.m. at Hawthorn Center.

Representatives from Vantage House, Heartlands, Harmony Hall, The Village in Howard and other locations will be on hand to share information about their communities which offer a variety of accommodations and services to its residents. To register for the event, visit the [website](#).

Wildlife Photography

The Artists' Gallery (American City Building, 10227 Wincopin Circle) presents an exhibit by Jerry Weinstein and Carl Segal



from August 30 – September 26, 2014. Jerry and Carl have an avid interest in photographing animals. Carl's niche is photographing them in zoos—he's visited more than 200 to date. Jerry "shoots" wildlife both in zoos and in the wild, and he recently

returned from safari in Kenya and Tanzania.

Please join Jerry, Carl, other Artists' Gallery members and fellow art lovers at the opening reception, Friday, September 5, 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. At 7:00 p.m., Robert A. Ramin, President and Chief Executive Officer of The Washington Animal Rescue League, will discuss how zoos are changing and how zoo research in animal care influences and contributes to survival in the wild.



Greeting

School starts next Monday. As our children anticipate a new year, new teachers and new friends, it's important for the rest of us to ensure their safety as they go to and come from school.

Remember our kids will be standing out waiting for the bus, many will be walking through our neighborhoods, and you'll likely experience more traffic.

Let's all help our children have a safe start to the new year.

Mary Kay

Labor Day Holiday Observances

Howard County Government offices, courts, animal shelter, senior centers, most recreational centers and the landfill will be closed in observance of the Labor Day holiday on Monday, September 1. Trash and recycling will not be picked up on 9/1/14; the slide schedule will be in effect for the remainder of the week.

The Regional Transportation Agency's Route 201/J, Route 202/K, Route 401/Green, Route 404/Orange, Route 302/G, Route 406/Red, Route 407/Brown, Route 501/Silver and Route 502/B will operate on a "Sunday" schedule. Those routes that do not run on Sundays will not operate on Monday, September 1. For more information, call 1-800-270-9553. All parking regulations and fees will be in effect on Monday, September 1.

The Roger Carter Community Center and county parks will be open on Labor Day. See the [website](#) for details & the full trash/recycling slide schedule.

Artfully Fun Events

Road to the Arts Weekend — September 12-14, 2014

Enjoy a self-guided tour of Howard County art galleries during *Road to the Arts* weekend, September 12-14. Participating galleries will host receptions and special exhibits throughout the weekend. The action kicks off on September 12 from 6–8 p.m. at HCAC's Annual Meeting and Grant Awards Ceremony.

Visit the exhibits: *Building Perspectives* and *Kaleidoscope* and meet our resident artists, who will host open studios that evening from 7–8 p.m. Road to the Arts maps are available for pick-up at the Center for the Arts, by phone at 410-313-ARTS (2787), or by download below.



ARTsites 2014

The Arts Council is pleased to announce that the sculptures and locations have been selected for *ARTsites 2014*. The following sculptures will be installed in May remain in place until July 15, 2015:

[*Aerial Delineation* by Craig Kraft](#) — George Howard Building, Howard County Government

[*Chapel Oak Vessel* by Foon Sham](#) — James and Anne Robinson Nature Center, Howard County Recreation & Parks

[*Happy Wanderers* by Charlie Brouwer](#) — Gary J. Arthur Community Center, Howard County Recreation & Parks

[*Triangle Tango* by Bob Turan](#) — North Laurel Community Center, Howard County Recreation & Parks

[*Prism Arc X* by Carl Billingsley](#) — East Columbia Branch, Howard County Library System

[*Sun to Moon Rotation 2* by Mary Angers](#) — Central Branch, Howard County Library System

[*Blue Wedge* by Carl Billingsley](#) — Elkridge Branch, Howard County Library System

[*Wood's Revenge – Resawn* by Stephen Klema](#) — Corporate Office Properties Trust

Dancing Columns III by Steven Durow — **COMING SOON** to Aida Bistro, Corporate Office Properties Trust

[*Big Red* by David Friedheim](#) — The Arc of Howard County

[*Sunbeam* by Cathrin Hoskinson](#) — Horowitz Visual and Performing Arts Center, Howard Community College

[*Tower Five* by Jan Paul Acton](#) — Wincopin Lakeside Building, Kincade, LLC

Download the [ARTsites 2014 Brochure](#) to help you plan your visits.

2nd Annual Wilde Lake Old-Fashioned Picnic

The Wilde Lake Community Association is sponsoring its Second Annual Old-Fashioned Family Picnic on Saturday, September 13.

The event which is open to all residents and community members, will be held at Wilde Lake Park (Hyla Brook Road) from 11:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. Join this fun-filled event featuring free activities including face painting for children, moon bounce with slide, children's crafts and watermelon eating contest.

Live entertainment will include performances by student groups from Wilde Lake schools and local bands "The Dixon Ulmer Band" and "Any The Wiser". Bring a picnic basket, beverages, blankets, chairs and/or tables to enjoy an old-fashioned picnic at the park. For families on the run, food will be available for purchase from a wide variety of food trucks including River House Pizza, La Pearl Waffles, Kona Ice, Upslidedown Dave, and Curry & Kabob.

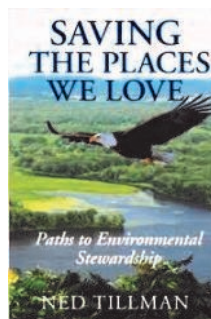
The picnic is being held in conjunction with the annual Columbia BikeAbout (see page 3).

A New Book About Nature's Beauty

Columbia resident Ned Tillman is releasing a new book entitled ***Saving the Places We Love: Paths Toward Environmental Stewardship*** on September 3. The book uses many examples from Howard County and iconic places across the country. Ned hopes that you will find the book entertaining and inspiring. It will be available from www.amazon.com.

Ned invites the community to join him on one of the following hikes or when he will be speaking at the East Columbia Library Branch.

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| September 14 | Patapsco Valley Walk at Avalon sponsored by Maryland State Parks at 1:30 p.m. |
| September 16 | HC Library East Branch Presentation and book signing at 7:00 p.m. |
| September 20 | Wincopin Trail Walk sponsored by HC Recreation and Parks at 9:30 p.m. |
| September 21 | Patapsco Valley Walk at McKeldin Area sponsored by Maryland State Parks at 1:30 p.m. |



Contact Ned at ned@sustainable.us to reserve your spot.

Two New Art Exhibits:

Building Perspectives and Kaleidoscope

The Howard County Arts Council announces two new exhibits in the galleries at the Howard County Center for the Arts.

Building Perspectives, in Gallery I, features work by five artists – Ashley DuRoss, Lillian Bayley Hoover, Robert Tennenbaum, April Rimpo, and K. Velis Turan – whose explorations of constructed spaces and urban landscapes produce unique and often abstracted works. DuRoss manipulates the light and spatial relations of ordinary interiors in her oil paintings to emphasize the space that fills the physical structures, while Hoover take us outside for still and simple oil paintings of both neighborhood constructions and global sites of power, and Tennenbaum draws on his background in city planning to pull us even further out in his map-abstractions of major cities. Meanwhile, Rimpo and Turan use a more representational perspective on urban spaces in two very different mediums – water media and textiles.

Gallery II's *Kaleidoscope*, featuring Katie Chen and Bernard Zubrowski, is a fusion of color and movement as Chen's brilliantly hued mixed-media works are balanced by Zubrowski's mesmerizing kinetic sculptures. Inspired by her oil painter grandfather, but looking for environmentally-friendly ways to create, Chen emulates the rich color and texture of oil paints with her vibrant collages recycled from magazines. Their swirling, musical compositions are echoed in Zubrowski's sculptures that with a touch from the viewer transform simple steel lines into rhythmic patterns and fluctuating shapes.

Building Perspectives and *Kaleidoscope* will be on display from September 5 through October 17, 2014.

A reception will be held on Friday, September 12, 6:00 – 8:00 p.m., in conjunction with the Arts Council's Annual Meeting and Grant Awards Ceremony. This event is also the kick-off for Road to the Arts weekend, marking the beginning of Howard County's 2014–2015 exhibit season with three days of receptions and special exhibits at Howard County galleries. Resident artist studios will also be open to guests during the reception.

Gallery hours are Monday through Friday 10:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m., Saturday 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m., and Sunday 12:00 – 4:00 p.m. To learn more, visit www.hocoarts.org.



Make a Difference in a Child's Life

A-OK Mentoring-Tutoring, Inc. seeks adult volunteers to provide encouragement and support to students who are struggling to succeed. Volunteers work with students individually or in small groups, one hour per week during the school day or in after-school programs. Volunteer mentor-tutors receive training and ongoing support. Convenient volunteer opportunities are available at: Bryant Woods, Longfellow, Running Brook, Stevens Forest, and Swansfield Elementary Schools. Orientations are scheduled September 11 and 22 from 1:00 – 3:00 p.m., October 2 from 1:30 - 3:30 p.m. and October 20 from 4:00 - 6:00 p.m. To register for orientation, email aokmentor@gmail.com, or call 410-381-1084. For additional information, visit www.aokmentor.org.

Community Event Reminders

Maryland State Fair

A summer tradition of 136 years begins Friday, August 22 and runs through Monday, September 1. Enjoy the special events, great food, music, amusement rides, horse races and the many arts and crafts, livestock shows and exhibits. It's a great adventure for the entire family. Click [here](#) to visit the Fair's website.

Become A Watershed Steward

Find out about how you can become a Watershed Steward by attending an informational session. Click [here](#) to register.

- Aug 21: Elkridge Branch Library
- Aug 26: East Columbia Branch Library
- Sept 10: Miller Branch Library

CA's Annual BikeAbout

CA's Columbia Archives will host the Columbia BikeAbout on Saturday, September 13 at 9:30 a.m. at Wilde Lake Park. The route takes participants into the neighborhood that James Rouse called home, and then brings them along the stream that feeds Wilde Lake, and then into the Middle Patuxent Valley.

At the conclusion of the ride, plan to enjoy an old-fashioned picnic hosted at Wilde Lake Park by the Wilde Lake Community Association and CA. Riders will be able to purchase refreshments from a variety of food trucks and enjoy free entertainment. Pre-registration for the BikeAbout is encouraged; register [online](#) today.

My newsletter is taking a labor-free holiday next week. It will return the first week of September.



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